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14 October 2013

Week 1/10

Tena Koutou Katoa
Greetings everyone

We warmly welcome Alisa Onuma (Room 5) and Noah Onuma (Room 1) and their family to Reignier.

Welcome back everyone to our final term for 2013. Where has the year gone? I know we say that every year but this time it really seems like the year has flown. We know that the final term will be extremely busy as it always is so hopefully we can get the main dates to you in as many ways as possible so we can keep ahead of what's happening.

Below are some of the important events coming up.

Tuesday 22 nd and Wed 23 rd Oct	Kapahaka Festival for Year 5
Wednesday 23 rd Oct	School Athletics for Year 3 to Year 6 Postponement date 24 th
Friday 1 st Nov	All Saints Day Mass whole school attending at 9.15 am
Saturday 2 nd Nov	School Gala
Week 4 4 th to 8 th Nov	Year 6 to Camp Kaitawa
Week 5 11 th to 15 th Nov	Year 5 to Camp Kaitawa
Wednesday 13 th Nov	Mathletics Competition
Tuesday 19 th Nov	Taradale Athletics Competition—Postponement Date 21 st
Monday 2 nd Dec	Senior Poetry finals
Wednesday 4 th Dec	Leavers Dinner
Friday 6 th Dec	Senior school to Frimley Pools
Monday 16 th Dec	Reports go home
Monday 16 th Dec	End of Year Prize giving
Thursday 19 th Dec	Final Mass and last day of school. School finishes at 12pm.

These dates will also go on the school calendar on the website.

STAFFING FOR 2014

We have some changes in staffing for 2014. Patrick Jones our Board Chairperson has attached a letter to this newsletter which explains the changes. Whilst it is sad to lose good teachers and staff, it is always good to have an opportunity for new direction and different skill sets within the school.

In this Year of Faith we pray for In this Year of Faith we pray for St Joseph's parish Hawera / Sacred Heart Manaia and St Joseph's School Hawera.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Thursday 17 th	Senior School Walk up the Tangoio track to White Pine Bush
Thursday 17 th	Digi Awards at the Hastings Opera House 6pm

CONNECTORS MEETING

Thank you to all those parents who attended the Connectors meeting at the end of last term. It is an extremely valuable way of getting your input and ideas about what is working around the school and what isn't.

PAINTING

GEMCO have completed the repainting of Rooms 7 and 8 over the holidays and have done a great job. Thanks to the parents who made their job easier by beginning the project at an earlier stage.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to Gary Nairn and his family who lost their mother over the holidays. Our prayers and thoughts are with him at this sad time.

DIGI AWARDS

Congratulations to all the school finalists in this year's Digi Awards. A reminder to families that have been invited to the ceremony at the Hawkes Bay Opera House this Thursday that the children need to be there by 5.45pm to be seated. All students attending must be in their summer uniform if possible, if not in their winter uniform.

The finalists will need to meet Miss Hewett in the front of the theatre to be seated in the reserved area. Parents will then need to find their own seat elsewhere in the auditorium. A gold coin donation would be appreciated.

Best wishes to all those in the finals.

UNIFORM SURVEY

The board are currently reviewing the Uniform Policy and are interested in our parents' views on our current uniform and ideas for improvement. The link is on the website. You can also go directly to the survey monkey address <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NWJWC7T>

We also intend to email this link to all who have given us their email addresses and will have paper copies in the office to fill in if you prefer to feed back that way.

The ICT survey is still up on the website for anyone with ideas on how we can develop the strategic plan for the next 3 years. Please feel free to respond to this as well.

Ma te Atua koutou e tiaki

God bless you all.

Julia Johnson

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday 20th October 9am Mass:

Anneliese van Florenstein, Madeleine Parker, Lucy Smith

Sunday 20th October 5pm Mass:

Noel Castelino, Zachary Picone, Isaac Pilcher

GALA COUNTDOWN – **This week it's FROZEN CHICKEN!**

Chickens, chickens, chickens. This week we are after frozen chickens. They make great prizes for our wheel etc. Please bring in your frozen chicken and please just check the expiration date as gala is not until the 2nd November.

We will be greeting you at the gates with our trolleys to collect and they will be taken straight to the freezers.

Next week...Grocery item and sweet stall. It's all about the sweet tooth and we will be needing a grocery item and a bag of soft lollies or an ingredient for sweet making.

Thank you all for your donations so far. **Bottles & lucky dip items are still needed & very welcome!**

Knitting now or soon? If you or your relatives like sewing/knitting, please bear in mind that our gift stall loves knitted booties, dolls clothes, slippers etc.

CLASS AWARDS—CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE CHILDREN

Room 1	St Paul	Liam Reilly Essex Page	For singing so well for his house For singing so well for his house
Room 2	St Bernadette	Awhina Kaio Ethan Macintosh	For great listening at Safe Walking lessons For great listening at Safe Walking lessons
Room 3	St Mary McKillop	Kayline Thomson Lincoln Jeffares Savannah Rio da Silva	For excellent participation in the Music Expo For great thinking in science For fantastic work habits
Room 4	St Therese	Kate Young Manasa Young	For excellent expression and characterization in her play For great singing in our Music Expo
Room 5	St Gerard	Fred Sugden Sophie Gouder	For always being a polite and helpful class member For always being a willing and enthusiastic learner
Room 6	St Francis	Kate O'Connor Liam Danielsen	For stunning progress in Spelling For excellent performing skills
Room 8	St Anne	Charlize Yee James Ericksen	For always being kind and caring of others needing help in class For your love of sharing interesting and fascinating facts with the class
Room 9	St Bridget	Tony Mildon Yu Qing Jiang	Most Improved Student for Term 3 Star Student for Term 3
Room 10	St John Bosco	Sarah Winnie Logan MacIsaac	Most Improved Student for Term 3 Star Student for Term 3
Room 11	St Dominic	Billy Dagg Anneliese van Florenstein	Most Improved Student for Term 3 Star Student for Term 3

GALA SWEETSTALL

Calling all new Fudge and Coconut Ice makers! If you want a job for the gala contact Donna Briggs on 021 0264 2401. Also any donations of lollies will be greatly appreciated.

GREENMEADOWS KINDERGARTEN

Saturday 9th November, 1.00-3.00pm are celebrating their 40th Birthday. RSVP by the 26 October to the Kindergarten. Afternoon tea provided.

ICAS EXAMS

The Year 5/6 ICAS Mathematics results have arrived for those students who sat the exam. The following students received Credit for being in the top 20% for New Zealand and the Pacific region; Chris Cacho-Bevin, Jack Graney, Bryn Nichol, Noah Sloan, Louise Sullivan, Bradley Campbell, Logan MacIsaac, Ben Sloan and Jonty Unwin.

Congratulations to the following students who received Distinction, which means they are in the top 5 % for New Zealand and the Pacific region; Zachary Picone, Sam Williams-Smith, Ollie Gardiner, Liam Halpin and Jack Wilton.

Two of our Year 6 students have achieved the amazing award of High Distinction which means they are in the top 2% for New Zealand and the Pacific region.

Congratulations to Yu Qing Jiang and Fergus Cardwell-Dray on their outstanding achievement.

MUSIC EXPO

For those families that missed out on getting to the Music Expo at the end of Term 3 we have put up videos for you to view of both days on the school website.

PTA

Huge thanks to the 8 wonderful parents who served food and drinks at the HB Club Ball on Saturday night. Karyn & Nick Gouder, Kara-Leigh & Patrick Jones, Anna Campbell, Pat Haworth, Lara Hollier and Vicki Devereux. You were amazing in raising \$1000 for the school!!

PTA MEETING

Tuesday 15th October, 7pm in Staffroom. All newcomers most welcome.

SENIOR TEAM

The Senior team have their day tramp to Tongio Falls and White Pine bush this Thursday 17th October. We will be travelling by bus

leaving at 9am and returning by 3pm. A permission letter with all the necessary information went home last term. These must be returned by Wednesday. If any students did not receive a letter they should see Mr Crawford. We still need parents to support the students on this walk. If you are able to assist for the day please contact fill in the permission note or contact your child's teacher.

Last term students received a camp newsletter, a permission form and a list of gear needed for camp. If any students didn't receive these notices, they should see Mr Crawford.

YEAR 5 KAPAHAKA GROUP

There will be a Kapahaka practice in the hall tomorrow (Tuesday) at 8.30am! A letter with information about the Kapahaka festival next week has been sent home today with the Year 5 children (look out of the bright yellow piece of paper).

YEAR 6 PARENTS

I am preparing a powerpoint for the Leavers Dinner. Can you search out all photos you have of your children at school events and send them into school. You can either send photos via email to kward@reignier.school.nz or put them on a USB stick. Thanks Kevina Ward.

THIS WEEK'S SPORTING NEWS ...

For Sports draws please refer to www.reignier.school.nz under the heading **Sports 2013**. Also check out the website for info on Taradale Softball, Triathlon Champs, Milo Cricket, Kids on Bikes etc.

BASKETBALL

See Term 4 team listings and draw on the school website under **Sports 2013**.

CRICKET

See Term 4 team listings and draw on the school website under **Sports 2013**.

SENIOR INTERHOUSE NETBALL

The Senior Interhouse Netball competition was completed at the end of last term. It was a great competition with the final standards being;

1st Hillary, 2nd Devoy, 3rd Te Kanawa, 4th Hadlee

SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Will be held next Wednesday 23rd October for Years 3-6. More information to come.